

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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AIRPORTS HAVING DIRECT FLIGHTS TO FOREIGN CONUTRIES

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether many international airports in the country do not have direct flights to other countries:
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the extent of losses suffered as a result of absence of this facility; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a)to(c) Indian carriers are free to mount their international operations from any point in India as per the respective bilateral Air Services Agreements between India and the concerned country(ies). Of the 17 international airports, the Indian carriers are operating international flights to all except for three airports at Guwahati, Srinagar and Port Blair. Since Indian carriers are free to operate international services as per their commercial judgement, no quantifiable loss on this account can be determined.